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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2611
Docket No.: 826.1735

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshiyuki OKADA

Serial No. 09/901,605   Group Art Unit: 2188

Confirmation No. 7617

Filed: July 11, 2001   Examiner: Jasmine Song

For: ACCESS CONTROL APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING ACCESS TO
        STORAGE MEDIUM

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION AND

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

        This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2004, and having a period for
response set to expire on April 21, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together
with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response
to May 21, 2004.

        The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of
the claims is respectfully requested.

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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL	Attorney Docket No.	826.1735
	Application Number	09/901,605
	Filing Date	July 11, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Yoshiyuki OKADA
	Group Art Unit	2611

| AMOUNT ENCLOSED | | 196.00 | Examiner Name | Jasmine Song |

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	27	- 27 =	0	X $ 18.00 =	$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	19	- 18 =	1	X $ 86.00 =	86.00

Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>April 21, 2004</u>, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month ($110); 2 months ($420); 3 months ($950); 4 months ($1,480); 5	110.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add ($330.00)	
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee ($110.00)	
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) ($180.00)	
Total of above Calculations =	$ 196.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)	
TOTAL FEES DUE =	$ 196.00

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

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☒ Check enclosed as payment.

☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.

☐ No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

| Deposit Account No. | 19-3935 |
| Deposit Account Name | STAAS & HALSEY LLP |

☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

| Typed Name | Ryan Rafferty | | Reg. No. | 55,556 |
| Signature | *Ryan Rafferty* | | Date | May 21, 2004 |